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#### (57)ABSTRACT

A fracture fixation plate s stem for use on a long bone having metaphysis and a diaphysis, includes at least one end plate having ahead portion for the metaphysis, and at least one diaphyseal plate having a first end and a second end with a plurality of screw holes therebetween. The end plate includes mating structure adapted to mate with and securely couple to at least one end of the at least one diaphyseal plate. The system preferably includes several end plates and diaphyseal plates to accommodate anatomy of various sizes. A method for coupling the plates to the bone is also provided.

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